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JOHN MADIGAN: Good evening, I'm John Madigan, welcome to our weekly session of At Random; important people talking about important things. Let's meet our guests: first, a familiar face, a familiar voice, Lowell Thomas of New York, veteran of 36 years of radio broadcasting and publisher of 49 books, radio commentator on CBS for twenty years. Robert Sabonjian, three-term mayor of Waukegan, Illinois, who has announced he'll be a write-in candidate for United States Senator in the November eighth election. Terry Turner, former newspaper man here in Chicago with the Daily News, radio-tv critic, now director of radio and television for the Peace Corps in Washington, D.C.. Ira Lattimer, executive vice-president of the Illinois Right to Work Committee. Sidney Zagari of Washington, D.C., legislative counsel of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Unions. And Noel Behn, of New York City, author of The Kremlin Letter, a novel with espionage as its center theme. Later we'll be joined by Mrs. Emily Taft Douglas, the only woman to proceed her husband in Congress, Mrs. Douglas is the wife of United States Senator Douglas, she's author of Remember The Ladies, a spotlight of women who helped shape America. It's At Random, I'm John Madigan, let's start the conversation."

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(JOHN MADIGAN & GUESTS WERE DISCUSSING THE PEACE  
CORPS AND ITS VARIOUS SERVICES TO THE WORLD.)

MADIGAN: "Noel, is that a marvelous opportunity for espionage?"

BEHN: (LAUGHS)

MADIGAN: "No, seriously, we hear it popping up in Congress, we hear it popping up in -- that Associated Press correspondent over in Europe."

BEHN: "Well, I think the Peace Corps is doing its own job at its own terms. The espionage, which is gravely misinterpreted, is only about ten or fifteen percent of our intelligence activities. And that's the spectacular part of it. But it's done primarily among the professionals, and we very seldom like to operate with our own people in a country."